

Wymeswold C. of E. Primary School Mini Newsletter

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We are very proud to be a school in the top ten in Leicestershire. Well done to everyone – staff and children you have all worked very hard and have deserved to be recognised for your efforts and achievement.

I have to say that in my eyes it is the ultimate Christmas present. (Unless my husband is reading this, in which case I'd like a diamond or a wheelbarrow please!)



We would like to wish all our school community a very, merry Christmas and a happy New Year! We look forward to seeing you all again for the new school term which starts on Monday, January 9th 2012.

I would once again like to thank all of our parents and friends who came in to school for our KS1 Nativity Play on Tuesday, 20th December. The children were super, they shone like little stars. We are very lucky to have such a talented bunch of children and also such talented and dedicated staff who put in the time and effort to make it so special for us all. Thank you to everyone involved!



Could we also pass on thanks to the PTA for putting a good word in for us with Santa. I don't know who has the ear of the man himself, but would you believe he came to school on Wednesday, 21st December and every child in the school got a brand new, shiny red sledge? How exciting! We are so lucky and very grateful to all the PTA for organising that for us.



New Year, new start!

Zero Tolerance to Disruptive Behaviour and Bullying

In consultation with the staff we have all agreed that we would like to put a strong emphasis from next term onwards on tackling low level disruptive behaviour within school. At Wymeswold we do not have the serious challenging behaviour that can be seen at some larger urban primary schools, however there are some pupils who can disrupt the learning atmosphere for others by calling out, chatting, distracting their friends or encouraging them to disengage from the teaching and learning.

We do know that it is impossible for a child to gain the maximum benefit from learning if they are engaged in or distracted by this kind of behaviour and we will be working hard to eradicate it.

Alongside this we will be looking at playtime behaviour and the challenge we give to those who make playtime unpleasant for others through rough play, name calling or exclusion. We do not want to be that school where these kind of things happen to our children.

I will be sending home further information early on in the Spring Term about the steps and approach we will be taking and will be asking for your support and back-up in these issues in order that we can ensure every child has an enjoyable experience at our school.

E-News

From Monday, 9th of January, we will endeavour to send all letters out electronically unless parents have expressed a wish to receive hard copies. We have done this partly in response to the parental survey sent out earlier in the Autumn Term where you told us that information was not always getting home and that you wished lines of communication to be more efficient and reflect the media that people most use in today's world.

I am sure there will be teething troubles, but with your support and feedback we aim to make our systems as effective, fast and efficient (time and cost) as we can.



It is lovely to see so many younger brothers and sisters coming into school at the beginning and the end of the day as we see this as great preparation for when they start school. I have been asked by Class 1 staff to request of parents that they please keep a close eye on what our younger friends are doing as there have been incidents where school property has been damaged. Thank you for your help and support in this matter.

Term Dates

Spring 2012

Monday 9th January	School opens
Wednesday 11th January	Swimming starts for Year 2
Friday 10th February	School closed for half term
Monday 20th February	School closed -Inset Day
Tuesday 21st February	School opens